

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SJR 76

February 23, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Proposes amending Article II, Section 4, of the Tennessee Constitution to authorize the General Assembly to establish the Tennessee Independent Redistricting Commission for the purpose of developing redistricting plans for senatorial and representative districts following each decennial census. Establishes criteria to be used by the Commission in developing such plans. Resolves that this amendment be referred to the 108th General Assembly and that this resolution be published in accordance with Article XI, Section 3, of the Tennessee Constitution.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – \$18,000/One-Time

Assumptions:

- A one-time cost of \$18,000 to the Secretary of State to print notice of the proposed amendment in statutorily designated newspapers as required by this resolution.
- According to the Secretary of State, the statewide average cost to publish the last three constitutional amendments was \$17,700.
- Because Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution requires publication of the resolution before the next legislative election, this publication would occur in the spring of 2012.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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